

## **Dixie High Community Council**

### Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2019

**Members Present:** Mindi Barker, Angie Atkinson, Teresa Miller, Chantel Markel, Craig Milligan, Jason Brooks, Sharla Campbell

#### **Items Discussed:**

It was reported that a replacement has been found for the position of Outreach Aide/Rebound Facilitator. Lilita Powell is our new employee, and she is proving to be very successful in reaching out the Spanish-speaking households and helping students attend more regularly.

The Council reviewed the final plan to be submitted for State Trust Land funds for next year. All Council members supported the plan, and voted to approve.

Mr. Brooks mentioned that the school will be utilizing an app called School Pulse, which will be used to help administration measure the emotional climate among students at Dixie High. The app also encourages students to seek help from an adult if they report that they are feeling sad and/or overwhelmed, which may help some students suffering from serious emotional issues.

The Sharps Survey was briefly discussed. Mrs. Campbell explained that the survey does ask students questions about risk behaviors, such as substance abuse; for that reason, parent permission is required before students can be surveyed. The results of the survey are used to inform schools and other state agencies about social service programs that may be needed to address the issues of greatest concern.

Annie Hernandez will be our PTA president next year. Teresa Miller suggested that we involve the PTA in any initiatives we implement next year which may help our Hispanic students. It may also be beneficial to form a focus group of Hispanic students to learn more about what assistance they might need.

Council also discussed the importance of signing up for School Messenger, a service that notifies parents in the event of an emergency at school. Teresa Miller also suggested that a text service for parents would be helpful, much like the messaging that occurs for students currently. The Senior Class sends out text blasts that are very helpful.

The next meeting of the Community Council will be held next school year, following reformation of the Council in August.